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FM AMCONSUL LUANDA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2782

INFO AMEMBASSY LISBON

AMCONSUL LOURENCO MARQUES

AMEMBASSY LUSAKA

AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

CINCLANT FOR POLAD

USCINCEUR VAIHINGEN GER

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SUBJECT: LEADERSHIP CRISIS - CONTINUED

REF: LUANDA 558

1. MAJOR MELO MARIZ FERNANDES, PROVINCIAL SECRETARY FOR "SOCIAL COMMUNICATION" LEFT LUANDA FOR LISBON NIGHT JULY 16 TO REPORT ON CURRENT SITUATION. MARIZ FERNANDES WIDELY REGARDED AS MFA'S SENIOR REPRESENTATIVE IN ANGOLA, HAD FAILED TO MAKE ANY IMPACT ON DETERIORATING SECURITY SITUATION IN LUANDA. IN FAIRNESS TO HIM, HE HAD BARELY ARRIVED WHEN TROUBLE STARTED. UNCLEAR WHETHER HE WILL RETURN.

2. LUANDA'S SECOND MORNING DAILY "O COMERCIO" HAS SUSPENDED PUBLICATION AS A DEMONSTRATION OF OPPOSITION TO ANNOUNCED INTENTION BY GOP TO SEND SPECIAL INVESTIGATING TEAM TO LUANDA. IN SINGLE SHEET EDITORIAL DISTRIBUTED GRATIS THROUGHOUT CITY JULY 18, "O LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COMERCIO" DECRIES CONTINUAL EVIDENCE OF COLONIAL MENTALITY ON PART

OF LISBON TOWARD ANGOLA, SAYS EXISTING GOVERNMENT HERE SHOULD
EITHER BE GIVEN AUTHORITY AND MEANS TO DEAL WITH CRISIS, OR
RESIGN.

3. COMMENT: THIS SEEMS TO BE EFFORT BY "O COMERCIO" TO TRY TO
FORCE ISSUE OF GOVGEN SILVINO SILVERIO MARQUES' DEPARTURE
WHICH IS WIDELY REGARDED AS INEVITABLE AND MANDATORY. SILVERIO
MARQUES' OPPROBRIOUS NICKNAME OF PREVIOUS DECADE HAS BEEN REVIVED:
"SIM SENHOR MINISTRO" (YES, MR MINISTER - INDICATING HE IS MINDLESS
PUPPET OF LISBON GOVERNMENT).
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